

## Child and Adult Care Food Program Policy (CACFP)

In YoungStar, programs are awarded one point for participating in CACFP. This participation is verified once per year by the Technical Consultant. Beginning in August 2012, DPI began notifying YoungStar when a child care provider is removed from CACFP. YoungStar will be notified after the period of time in which the program can appeal has lapsed.

When a program is terminated from CACFP, the Department of Children and Families will take the following actions:

- 1. As soon as DCF is notified, we will amend the rating so that the program loses the point for CACFP participation beginning the date the program's CACFP participation is ended. This means that the program will drop to 2 Stars because this point is required for 3 Star ratings.
- 2. DCF will send a letter informing the program of the change.
- 3. DCF will notify the local YoungStar office of the change.

If a program has any questions about their CACFP point or any other YoungStar points earned or not earned, they can contact their local YoungStar office.